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Jason Bensavage honored as Officer of the Year

RALEIGH – Jason Bensavage, a probation/parole officer in Charlotte, has been honored as a Department of Correction Officer of the Year for 2011.

Bensavage has been credited with taking some of Charlotte's most dangerous criminals off the streets during the past two years. He has done it by working closely with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police department's Priority Offender Strategy Team. POST is a strategic group of officers that targets high-risk offenders.

Bensavage, a probation officer since 2006, makes himself available to POST at any time as the team focuses on surveillance and high level supervision. Working with POST for the past two years, Bensavage has helped Charlotte-Mecklenburg police officers on weekends, on his scheduled days off and on holidays, as they watch potential offenders' movements and seek absconders and hard-to-find suspects.



Last year, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Chief Rodney Monroe awarded his Excellence in Policing Award to Officer Bensavage for his exceptional problem-solving initiatives for POST.

In addition to his work with Charlotte police, Bensavage is always willing to help his Community Corrections co-workers and supervisors.

The Department of Correction honored Bensavage at a ceremony June 13 in Raleigh.

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